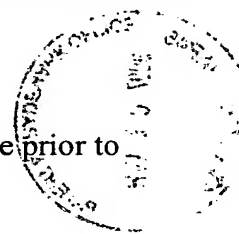


REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests that the foregoing amendments be made prior to examination of the present application.



In the specification, a paragraph has been added on page 1.

Claims 3-6, 9, 17 and 21 are currently being amended to eliminate multiple dependency and place them in better form for U.S. practice.

This amendment changes claims in this application. A detailed listing of all claims that are in the application is presented with an appropriate defined status identifier.

Applicant believes that the present application is now in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration of the application as amended is respectfully requested.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if it is felt that a telephone interview would advance the prosecution of the present application.

Respectfully submitted,

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